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§2063.501 <u>Purpose</u>.

This Subpart adds to Executive Order 11491, as amended, and Federal Personnel Manual (FPM) and Department Personnel Manual (DPM) Chapters 711 for implementing the Labor-Management Relations Program in FmHA.

## §2063.502 Granting exclusive recognition.

- (a) Petition. The State Director or Director, Finance Office, sends petitions for exclusive recognition from a labor organization to the Labor-Management Relations Officer (Chief, Employee Relations Branch). Include:
  - (1) Two copies of the petition.
  - (2) One copy: the group's constitution and by-laws; its statement of its objectives; and a list of officers.
- (b) <u>Bargaining unit</u>. Sections 6(a)(1) and 10(b) of Executive Order 11491, as amended, appoints the Asst. Secretary of Labor for Labor-Management Relations to make decisions about bargaining units. Nonsupervisory members of such units include:
  - (1) Professional Employees: Agriculture Management Specialist, GS475; Home Economist, GS-493; Accountant, GS-510; Architect, GS-808; Civil Engineer, GS-810; and Agriculture Engineer, GS-890.
  - (2) All others except those in personnel work other than in a purely clerical capacity or those who act in a confidential capacity to management in labor-management relations policy matters.
  - Temporary personnel employed for a sufficient time that they have and interest in conditions that exist.
  - (4) Part-time personnel when the nature of their jobs or regularity of their employment is such that they have an interest in the conditions that exist.

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- (c) <u>Requirements of the Assistant Secretary of Labor, Labor-Management Relations</u>. The Area Administrator of the Labor Management Services Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, will tell how to process petitions and elections to which FmHA must comply.
- (d) <u>Recognition</u>. The State Director or Director, Finance Office gives exclusive recognition in writing when a Certificate of Representative from the Assistant Secretary of Labor has been received.

§2063.503 <u>Definitions</u>. (Reserved)

§2063.504 Reporting requirements.

The State Director and Director, Finance Office sends to the Labor-Management Relations Officer two copies of the information in DPM Chapter 711, Subchapter 7-7.

§2063.505 Other requirements.

The State Director, and Director, Finance Office:

- (a) Must tell the Labor-Management Relations Officer of activities in this area.
- (b) Cannot add to or charge DPM Chapter 711 or FmHA Labor-Management Relations Instructions.

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